

## Message Text

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TAGS: UNCTAD, EMIN, ETRD, EEC  
SUBJECT: UNCTAD COMMON FUND-EC MEMBER STATES DISCUSS JOINT OPENING  
EC POSITION

REF: (A) EC BRUSSELS 1378, (B) GENEVA 1425

1. THE EC COMMITTEE OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES HELD  
A SPECIAL SESSION ON MARCH 1 TO DISCUSS THE UK PRESIDENCY  
COMPROMISE PROPOSAL FOR AN EC OPENING POSITION AT THE  
FORTHCOMING UNCTAD COMMON FUND NEGOTIATIONS. WITH MINOR  
CHANGES AND SOME RESERVATIONS, SEVEN MEMBER STATES AGREED  
TO SUPPORT IT. THE DUTCH AND FRENCH OBJECTED BECAUSE THEY  
WANTED A MORE FORTHCOMING STATEMENT. WHILE AGREEING TO GO  
ALONG WITH THE COMPROMISE, BELGIUM SUGGESTED INCLUDING THE  
FOLLOWING STATEMENT: (1) THE EC HAS A CONSTRUCTIVE ATTITUDE  
TOWARD SETTING UP THE CF; (2) IT IWLL PARTICIPATE IN  
NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY  
AGREEMENT; AND (3) IT AGREES IN PRINCIPLE TO A SYSTEM  
OF ASSISTANCE AMONG SUCH AGREEMENTS AS LONG AS A  
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SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF AGREEMENTS ARE ESTABLISHED  
TO JUSTIFY SUCH A SYSTEM. THE FRG OBJECTED TO THIS  
LATER POINT.

2 THE COMMISSION PRESSED ITS REQUEST THAT THE  
MEMBER STATES AUTHORIZE THE EC TO REPRESENT THE NINE  
IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. THE COUNCIL PRESIDENCY AND THE

COMMISSION WOULD BE CO-SPOKESMAN AT THE NEGOTIATIONS.  
WHEN ISSUES CONCERN THE EC COMMON COMMERC COMMION SHOULD BE THE  
SPOKESMAN. COREPER  
POSTPONED CONSIDERATION OF THIS REQUEST, BUT PERMDEL  
OFFICIALS DOUBT THAT IT WILL BE ADOPTED.

3. THE MARCH 8 FOREIGN MINISTERS COUNCIL WILL TAKE  
UP THIS PROPOSAL. IT IS STILL UNCLEAR WHETHER  
IN MODIFIED FORM IT MIGHT BE AGREED UPON. DUTCH,  
DANISH, FRENCH AND BELGIAN PERMDEL OFFICIALS SAY THE  
PROPOSAL REPRESENTS THE LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR  
AMONG THE NINE AND IS CONSEQUENTLY INADEQUATE.  
THEY BELIEVE SUCH A STATEMENT WOULD GET THE CONFERENCE  
OFF TO A BAD START.HINTON

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